## **2015 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CALENDAR**

	Second Tuesday in April	First Tuesday after the first Monday in June	Combine with school on third Tuesday in June
The governing board must establish the election date no later than January 14th of the election year, if they choose a different election date other than the 2nd Tuesday in April.* (9-13-1)	April 14	June 2	June 16
The person in charge of the election must notify the Secretary of State when the election will take place by e-mail, letter, fax, or telephone. (12-2-7) elections@state.sd.us	Immediately	Immediately	Immediately
Publish notice of vacancies and time and place for filing petitions each week for two consecutive weeks. (9-13-6 or 9-13-40 & 05:02:04:06; 13-7-5)	Jan 15 -30	Feb 15 - March 1	March 15 -30
Earliest date to begin petition circulation and earliest date to file nominating petition. (9-13-9, 9-13-40 & 13-7-6)	January 30	March 1	April 7
Deadline for filing nominating petition. Office must be open until 5pm. (9-13-7, 9-13-40 & 13-7-6)	Feb 27 5:00 pm	March 31 5:00 pm	May 8 5:00 pm
Deadline for submission of written request to withdraw candidate's name from nomination. (9-13-7.1, 13-7-7)	Feb 27 5:00 pm	March 31 5:00 pm	May 8 5:00 pm
In the event of an election being canceled due to the death of a candidate, withdrawal of a candidate, or absence of contest, publication of notice of cancellation of municipal election is required.* (9-13-7.1 & 05:02:04:21)	After Feb 27 5:00 pm	After March 31 5:00 pm	After May 8 5:00 pm
Publish first deadline of voter registration notice that needs to be published each week for two consecutive weeks. (12-4-5.2 & 05:02:04:04)	March 9 - 13	April 27 - May 1	May 11 - 15
Publish last deadline of voter registration notice that needs to be publish each week for two consecutive weeks. (12-4-5.2 & 5:02:04:04)	March 16 - 20	May 4 - 8	May 18 - 22
Deadline for voter registration. (12-4-5)	March 30	May 18	June 1
Absentee ballots must be made available no later than 15 days prior to the election. (9-13-21)	March 30	May 18	June 1
Publish notice of election that needs to be published each week for two consecutive weeks. First publication must be at least 10 days before election. (9-13-13 & 05:02:04:08 or 13-7-8 & 5:02:04:15)	March 30 - April 10	May 18 - 29	June 1 -12
Publish facsimile ballot in the calendar week before the election. The calendar week falls from the Monday to the Saturday of the week prior to the Tuesday of Election Day. (9-13-13)	April 6 – 11	May 25 – 30	June 8 – 13
Automatic tabulating systems only. Conduct a public test of the system. <i>Must publish notice 48 hours before test.</i> (12-17B-5 & 5:02:09:01.01)	April 4 - 13	May 23 - June 1	June 6 - 15
Election Day. Polls open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (9-13-1)	April 14	June 2	June 16
Deadline for official canvass. (9-13-24)	April 21	June 9	June 23